(b) whether such limit for tiny industries will also be enhanced; and

(c) the other steps being taken to promote and boost small scale industry?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) and (b) Recently, Government have decided to raise the ceiling of investment in Plant and Machinery for a small scale/ancillary industrial undertaking to Rs. 3 crores and that for a tiny unit to Rs. 25 lakhs.

(c) Several policies and programmes for promotion and development of the small scale sector are being implemented by the Government. These *inter-alia* include excise concession, priority sector lending and preference in Government procurement for SSI products. Several Government assisted schemes for promoting entrepreneurship and for providing technology, extension and other services are also being implemented.

Complaints Received by the National Commission for Minotries

*311. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the details and number of complaints received by the National Commission for Minorities till date, year-wise and Sate-wise;

(b) whether Commission has initiated action so far under its power of Civil Courts;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the kind of complaints taken up by the Commission under its power of Civil Courts?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA): (a) State-wise and Year-wise details about the number of complaints received by National Commission for Minorities are furnished at statement (*see* below).

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. Complaints were categorised for administrative and judicial action. Cases fit for judicial action were taken up where the concerned authorities and parties were summoned with records and appropirate action was taken after hearing.

(d) Not applicable.

(e) Complaints generally relate to religion based discrimination in the matters of employment, denial of justice particularly in educational matters and affiliations, recognition and admissions and industrial matters.

Statement

Statement Containing the Information in Respect of Complaints Received in the Commission.

Sl. No.	States	1993-94	1994-95	1995-96	1996-97 (Up to Feb' 97)
1.	Andhra Pradesh	30	30	35	32
2.	Assam	15	05	14	03
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	09	0	03	0
4.	Bihar	29	22	63	61
5.	Chandigarh	10	02	05	0
6.	Delhi	40	20	34	37
7.	Gujarat	25	07	24	13
8.	Himachal Pradesh	04	08	11	05
9.	Haryana	16	11	29	13
10.	Kerala	29	27	27	08
11.	Karnataka	26	20	31	08
12.	Maharashtra	40	38	33	30
13.	Madhya Pradesh	35	33	24	14
14.	Manipur	0	0	05	04
15.	Meghalaya	0	0	02	01
16.	Mizoram	0	0	02	0
17.	Tripura	0	0	03	0
18.	Sikkim	0	02	02	0
19.	Uttar Pradesh	58	85	43	74
20.	West Bengal	05	20	16	17
21.	Misc.	19	30	24	44
		390	360	430	364